

REMARKS

On entry of these amendments, claims 1-32 will be pending in this application. All other claims have been cancelled without prejudice.

The above amendments are made to reduce the number of claims to be considered in calculating extra claim fees required under 37 CFR 1.492 in this initial national stage submission.

Conclusion

The Applicants submit that the claims are in a condition for allowance and action toward that end is earnestly solicited. It is believed that no fees are due; however, should any additional fees be required (except for payment of the issue fee), the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Jenkens & Gilchrist Deposit Account No. 10-0447, Order No. 47082-00090USPX.

Respectfully submitted,



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